

## ***BIGI Baltic Transfers and Tours: 2018 Excursion Overview by CAR / Minibuses***

**NOTE:** *During your trip, we offer you to visit the most beautiful and popular landmarks. Additionally, it is possible to book a professional guide service (please book in advance).*

*Tours include: Transfer service with English speaking driver and parking on location.*

*Tours exclude: Museum tickets, museum guide service, food and drinks.*

*Driver can also advise you for the best lunch or dinner spots on the way, if necessary.*

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### **Rundale Palace - Bauska Castle - Mezotne Palace**

**Total duration of the excursion: 7 hours** (including lunch, coffee, WC stops).

Rundale Palace with Charming French-style park was built in two periods, from 1736 until 1740 and from 1764 until 1768. Rundales Palace was designed by Bartolomeo Rastrelli

Bauska. The oldest part of Bauska Castle is the Livonian Order Fortress, built specially for the use of firearms. It is a characteristic example of Latvia's 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> century military construction. The residence-type castle, fortified with bastions, fortification walls and earthen ramparts, is a more recent structure.

Mezotne. The history of the Mezotne estate dates back to Duke Jacob's time - the middle of 17<sup>th</sup> century. In 1795, the Russian Empress Catherine II granted the Mezotne estate for lifetime use to the governess of her grandchildren Charlotte.

